

parts of the country. An indicted war criminal, a man with blood on his hands, specifically indicted for being the leader involved in the slaughter of at least 6,000 people—6,000 people—in Srebrenica after the fall of that undefended city, allegedly a safe haven in Bosnia.

Most recently, of course, Karadzic has been seen repeatedly walking around, seemingly free, in the Republika Srpska. General Mladic recently carried out the responsibility of attending a funeral in Belgrade—quite publicly. Authorities clearly knew he was coming, and he was not arrested.

I think it is clear that the Serbian authorities, in this case, particularly President Milosevic, have failed to act. That failure to act is clear, and it is inexcusable.

The High Representative, Carl Bildt, overseeing so much of the civilian reconstruction effort, has the clear authority to reimpose sanctions if the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia or the Bosnian Serbs, are failing significantly—that is the term used—to meet their obligations under the peace agreement.

There can be no doubt that the continued leadership roles of Karadzic, Mladic, and others are a significant violation of the Dayton agreement. Mr. President, this resolution calls for reimposition of full economic sanctions, which we believe is long overdue.

Third, the resolution expresses the sense of the Senate that the NATO-led implementation force, or IFOR, in carrying out its mandate, should make it an urgent priority to detain and bring to justice persons indicted by the International Criminal Tribunal. I know that some will be concerned that this call for IFOR action to arrest war criminals could lead to a situation similar to the hunt for Aided in Somalia, which had tragic consequences. That, Mr. President, I assure my colleagues, is not the intention of those of us who have sponsored the resolution. The resolution is drawn with real clarity and concern to make sure that is the case. The detention of war criminals, in fact, has always been part of the IFOR mandate. The IFOR's authority to arrest war criminals has never been in doubt. But the kind of house-to-house search carried out in Somalia is not called for by this resolution.

In fact, from what I have heard Secretary Perry and General Shalikashvili say, IFOR is already mandated and, in fact, is doing just what it should be: patrolling more widely and aggressively to restrict the freedom of movement of war criminals, as well as to improve the freedom of movement of ordinary, peaceful citizens. If an IFOR patrol encounters Karadzic or Mladic or any other indicted war criminal, IFOR personnel should bring to bear the necessary resources to effectively detain those war criminals and to bring them to justice.

We did not want to go into this level of detail in this resolution because,

frankly, we do not believe the Senate should be expressing such detailed directions about on-the-ground military operations. The intention of this resolution is to make clear that an agreed upon aspect of the IFOR mission—to detain war criminals and bring them to justice—must remain an urgent priority and must be carried out effectively.

Mr. President, the reason this function is so critical, so central, to the IFOR mission is that otherwise all the extraordinarily courageous and effective work done by this 60,000-person force, 20,000 of whom are Americans, all the work they have done to separate the parties, to move them back into agreed upon areas, to create the context for peace, will all be for naught. All the effort, all the money spent, in my opinion, will all be worth nothing and have no lasting affect unless these war criminals are apprehended, because so long as they are free, their freedom makes a mockery of the Dayton agreement. It is an insult, a wound, to those hundreds of thousands of people who lost relatives or who were forcibly removed from their homes during the war.

The fact is that so long as people like Karadzic and Mladic, indicted war criminals, remain free, peace will not take hold in the former Yugoslavia. That is why we are restating, as this resolution does, that the apprehension, the detention, and bringing to justice of these war criminals must remain an urgent priority as part of the IFOR mission in the former Yugoslavia.

Fourth, finally, recognizing that the lack of full cooperation on war crimes goes beyond the so-called Republika Srpska, the resolution calls for all States in the former Yugoslavia—this involves people on all sides ethnically—to be denied membership and participation in international organizations until and unless they are operating fully with the tribunal.

Mr. President, as we have found over the course of the conflict in the former Yugoslavia, which threatened to grow wider and threaten stability more broadly in Europe, if the sound of the trumpet—if I may paraphrase the Bible—is uncertain, who will follow into battle? If the sound of the trumpet is uncertain, who will hear what is behind the trumpet?

If we allow these outrageous, provocative acts by indicted war figures roaming free to go unresponded to, they will act more outrageously. The latest proof of this is in the newspaper this morning. Page A-30 of the Washington Post carries a Reuters story from Belgrade: "A local board of the Serb Democratic Party nominated Radovan Karadzic today as candidate for president of the Bosnian Serb Republic in elections to be held later this year, Serb media reported."

Can you imagine that? Can you imagine the outrage here? This is as if, at the end of World War II, someone in one of the countries that the allies de-

feated nominated a leader in that country who had fought the war against us to be a leader of the postwar country. Can you imagine the reaction in the United States of America if that had happened?

Here these people are nominating Karadzic, in direct and outrageous violation of the Dayton agreement, to run for President. This is specifically prohibited by the Dayton agreement, but reminds us that unless we continue to keep the apprehension of these criminals as an urgent priority, unless we begin to tighten the screws again by reimposing economic sanctions on Belgrade and tightening the area of mobility that these war criminals have enjoyed in the past, as I am encouraged to believe we are now doing, this whole effort will have been for naught.

This resolution, my cosponsors and I believe, gives the Senate an opportunity to make clear the importance we place on the full and successful completion of the IFOR mission, which is to say to remove the conditions that will bring about clearly a return of war and genocide and the absence of peace with true justice in Bosnia.

In closing, I want to thank my colleagues who joined me in cosponsoring this resolution. I hope that other colleagues of both parties—there is nothing partisan about this at all—will take a look at the resolution and decide to cosponsor and join us as supporters.

Mr. President, I do also want to offer personal thanks to Frederic Baron who is working in my office as a fellow on loan from the State Department, who really represents a quality of service, as I have seen in my office, the highest standards of intellect and of principle that characterizes the American Foreign Service. I thank Frederic for the role he played in assisting me in putting this resolution together.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Thursday, July 11 at 9:30 a.m. in SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on the issue of competitive change in the electric power industry. It will focus on the FERC wholesale open access transmission rule, Order No. 888.

Those who wish to testify or to submit written testimony should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. Presentation of oral testimony is by committee invitation. For further information, please contact Shawn Taylor or Howard Useem at (202) 224-6567.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

DEDICATION OF THE PENCE RECEPTION CENTER AND GIFT SHOP

• Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, on Sunday, June 9, as part of Tennessee's year-long bicentennial celebration, I traveled to Kingsport, TN, to deliver remarks at the dedication of the Pence Reception Center and Gift Shop, a part of Netherland Inn complex. I ask that my remarks be printed in the RECORD.

The remarks follow:

DEDICATION OF THE PENCE RECEPTION CENTER AND GIFT SHOP, KINGSFORT, TN

It's always great to be home in Tennessee, but it's even more wonderful when being here gives me the opportunity to help celebrate Tennessee history, and pay tribute to Tennessee volunteers. And what could be more appropriate—in this place that was once a favorite stop on the Old Great Stage Road from Washington City to Nashville—than that I should also travel from Washington to be here with you today.

Two hundred years ago, our pioneer forefathers banded together to forge a new future for the Southwest Territory. Like the path to the West, the road to Statehood was replete with obstacles—from land disputes with North Carolina to Party disputes that held the territory's Statehood petition hostage to Presidential politics. But the spirit of Tennessee's founding fathers prevailed, and on June 1, 1796 Tennessee became the 16th state in the Union.

One hundred years ago, our Centennial celebration highlighted that pioneer spirit for Tennesseans—and for all the world. Today, with ongoing Bicentennial celebrations like this one in every city and county, that legacy is being carried forth—not just to another generation and into another century, but into the next millennium! What a proud heritage to pass along.

Over the past 100 years, we've watched this area change from one that was almost entirely agricultural to one with modern cities and industrial development. But the Tennesseans who live here have retained their roots in the land, just as the neighborhoods in which they live still retain much of the charm of early America.

Another thing that has not—and will not—change is our volunteer spirit. Ever since that day in 1848, when Governor Brown called for 3,000 volunteers to help win the war with Mexico and 30,000 charged to the fight, our reputation as "The Volunteer State" has gone unchallenged.

Nothing better exemplifies that spirit than this cabin which we dedicate today. Like the entire Netherland Inn complex, it is rich with stories of selflessness and volunteerism—from the foresight of Joe Wimberly, who first proposed the idea of making the Pence cabin part of the Netherland Inn complex, to the generosity of the Carl Brauns who donated it, to the tireless efforts of the entire crew of the Bent Nail Construction Company—and countless others—who helped make this project possible, especially Mr. Ben Brown.

For thirty years, Ben Brown has been a tireless advocate for the Netherland Inn, and this project is but one example of his dedicated support. As Karyn and I—and I'm sure many others—have discovered, once Ben makes a commitment to someone or some project, that support never waivers. We could not have a better friend, nor Kingsport a better community leader, than Ben Brown.

As a result of all your efforts, the Pence cabin will now be preserved forever, not only

as a part of Tennessee history, but as a monument to Tennessee's volunteer spirit.

This year, when so much history is being made in Washington, when we are struggling to restore our Nation to the kind of land envisioned by our Founding Fathers—a land where taxes are low and government is limited, where states have rights, and people have power—I can't help but appreciate even more the rich history of our State and the contributions it has made to our national heritage.

Think about it—right here in this place three Presidents of the United States stopped frequently on their trips to and from Washington—Andrew Jackson, Andrew Johnson, and James K. Polk.

And on a personal note, as a native Nashvillian, I am personally indebted to Col. John Donelson because if he hadn't taken his flotilla of flatboats from Kingsport to Big Salt Lick, my home town of Nashville might never have been founded—and who knows where I would have been born!

Tennessee has a proud history to look back on. But let's not forget that we also have a bright future before us. The volunteers of Tennessee are no longer living on the frontier, but their pioneering minds and spirits continue to drive them toward success. When our descendants celebrate the next hundred years of Tennessee history, I know that they will be just as proud of their ancestors as we are of ours today.

Thank you all for coming. God bless you, and God bless the great State of Tennessee!•

MARTINEZ-GARCIA-NERIO-REYES
AMERICAN LEGION POST 500

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, on June 29, 1996, American Legion Post 500 will celebrate its 50th anniversary. In November 1945, after returning from service in World War II, Mexican-American veterans in the Saginaw area began meeting to exchange stories of their experiences during combat. These veterans decided to organize and were later recognized as the Latin American Club for Veterans.

Many Mexican-Americans came to Michigan during the 1920's to work in the fields, on the railroads, and at the auto plants. These migrants experienced many difficulties arising from cultural differences and their inexperience with the English language. After the war, Mexican-Americans in the Saginaw area continued to experience prejudice and discrimination. The members of the Latin American Club for Veterans felt it was important to have a stronger voice in Saginaw to serve the Mexican-American community. Therefore, they decided to apply for a chapter charter in the American Legion.

On April 20, 1946, Latin American Legion Post 500 was chartered. It was later decided to rename the post after the first four Mexican-Americans killed in World War II. The names of Louis Martinez, Julian Garcia, Sifred Nerio, and John Reyes live on today at American Legion Post 500. Since its inception, over 1,000 veterans serving in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and Desert Storm have been members of the post.

In addition to assisting veterans, the post has been involved in helping the

community. The post supports sports teams, donates food to the needy, and sponsors a program where boys travel to Lansing for a week to learn how our State capitol works. I know that my Senate colleagues join me in honoring the Martinez-Garcia-Nerio-Reyes American Legion Post 500 on its 50th anniversary.●

SALUTE TO IOWA GIRLS'
BASKETBALL

• Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, every year in March, the State of Iowa comes to a virtual halt. Streets are quiet, schools are dismissed, and small towns are all but deserted. It is not some end-of-winter blizzard that clears the streets and shuts down communities. It is the annual pilgrimage to Veterans' Auditorium in Des Moines for the Girls' State Basketball Tournament.

Some States have a such strong tradition in high school athletics that certain sports become part of the State's identity. Like boys' basketball in Indiana and football in Texas, girls' basketball has been a key factor in shaping the identity of Iowa. The enthusiasm with which Iowans follow their girls' high school basketball teams is a testament to Iowa's competitive and community spirits.

Iowa was a pioneer in the growth of girls' basketball. Today's players owe a great deal to those early players and teams for the survival and development of the girls' game. Iowa girls started playing basketball in 1893, just 18 months after Dr. James Naismith created the game. Girls' basketball gained rapid approval from Iowans. By the turn of the century, basketball was the most popular sport for girls in Iowa. The sport was played indoors and outdoors, in church basements and on empty cattle pastures, wherever there was room to fit two basketball goals.

The popularity of girls' basketball in Iowa may have helped save the sport from extinction. In the 1920's, women and girls were discouraged from playing competitive sports because it was seen as too strenuous and unladylike. Girls' basketball virtually vanished from the rest of the country. But Iowans took great pride in the success of their girls' basketball teams. Communities banded together to support girls' basketball, and the sport remained as popular as ever in Iowa. In the 1970's and 1980's, Iowa's basketball success was used as a model for other States in expanding sports opportunities for girls.

Iowa's State tournament was first staged in 1920. It is the oldest continuously held girls' basketball championship in the United States. The State tournament has consistently been played before capacity crowds, drawing fans from all corners of Iowa. The tournament has developed a national and even international following. News media from across the State and around the country gather in Des